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| 10  | UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT   |  |
| 11  | NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA  |  |
| 12  | In re  | Case No. 09-12325-AJ   |
| 13  |  | Chapter 13   |
| 14  | JEFFREY A HILL,  | R.S. No. JBA-1826  |
| 15  | Debtor(s).   | MOTION FOR RELIEF FROM<br>AUTOMATIC STAY<br>(11 U.S.C. § 362 and Bankruptcy Rule 4001) |
| 16  |  | DATE: December 23, 2009  |
| 17  |  | TIME: 9:00am   |
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| 19  |  | 99 South "E" Street<br>Santa Rosa, CA 95404-6524                                       |
| 20  | TO THE RESPONDENTS NAMED ABOVE:  |  |
| 21  | JPMC SPECIALTY MORTGAGE LLC ("Movant"), respectfully represents as follows:                            |  |
| 22  | RELIEF FROM STAY - CAUSE   |  |
| 23  | FAILURE TO MAKE POST-PETITION PAYMENTS   |  |
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| 25  | 1. This court has jurisdiction over the subject matter of this Motion pursuant to the                  |  |
| 26  | provisions of 28 United States Code §§ 157, 1334, and 11 United States Code § 362.                     |  |
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- 2. On or about July 25, 2009, Jeffrey A Hill ("Debtor") filed a voluntary petition under Chapter 13 of the Bankruptcy Code. David Burchard is the appointed Chapter 13 Trustee.
- 3. On or about April 20, 2006, Debtor, for valuable consideration, made, executed and delivered to Encore Credit Corp, a California Corporation ("Lender") a Note in the principal sum of \$288,000.00 (the "Note"). Pursuant to the Note, Debtor is obligated to make monthly principal and interest payments commencing June 1, 2006, and continuing until May 1, 2036, when all outstanding amounts are due and payable. A true and correct copy of the Note is attached to the Declaration in Support of Motion for Relief From Automatic Stay as exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference.
- 4. On or about April 20, 2006, Debtor made, executed and delivered to Lender a Deed of Trust (the "Deed of Trust") granting Lender a security interest in the certain real property located at 17402 Greenridge Road, Hidden Valley Lake, California 95467 (hereinafter "Real Property"), which is more fully described in the Deed of Trust. The Deed of Trust provides that attorneys' fees and costs incurred as a result of the Debtor's bankruptcy case may be included in the outstanding balance under the Note. The Deed of Trust was recorded on April 27, 2006, in the Official Records of Lake County, State of California. A true and correct copy of the Deed of Trust is attached to the Declaration in Support of Motion for Relief From Automatic Stay as exhibit B and incorporated herein by reference.
- 5. Subsequently, Lender's beneficial interest in the Deed of Trust was sold, assigned and transferred to Movant. A true and correct copy of the Corporation Assignment of Deed of Trust evidencing the Assignment of the Deed of Trust to Movant is attached to the Declaration in Support of Motion for Relief From Automatic Stay as exhibit C and incorporated herein by reference.
- 6. The obligations under the Note are in default for failure to make payments as of August 1, 2008. As of October 23, 2009, the total obligation due and owing under the Note is in the approximate amount of \$327,658.22, representing the principal balance of \$287,911.20, interest in the sum of \$27,915.91, late charges in the amount of \$177.54, escrow advances in the amount of \$9,363.33, a recoverable balance in the amount of \$2,438.28, other fees in the amount

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of \$21.70, total fees in the amount of \$37.00, and less a suspense balance in the amount of \$<206.74>. Moreover, the total arrears under the Note are in the approximate sum of \$27,626.32, excluding the post-petition attorneys' fees and costs incurred in filing the instant Motion. This is an approximate amount for purposes of this Motion only, and should not be relied upon as such to pay off the subject loan as interest and additional advances may come due subsequent to the

filing of the Motion. An exact payoff amount can be obtained by contacting Movant's counsel.

- 7. Pursuant to 11 United States Code § 1322, and the Debtor's Chapter 13 Plan, the Debtor is obligated to make all post-petition payments owing on the Note directly to Movant. However, Movant has not received the post-petition payments owing for August 1, 2009 through November 1, 2009. Accordingly, the post-petition arrears owing under the Note are in the approximate sum of \$7,955.34, consisting of four (4) payments in the amount of \$2,040.52 each and less a suspense balance in the amount of \$<206.74>, excluding the post-petition attorneys' fees and costs incurred in filing the instant Motion. A true and correct copy of the post-petition payment accounting pursuant to Local Rule 4001-1(g)(1) is attached to the Declaration in Support of Motion for Relief From Automatic Stay as exhibit D and incorporated herein by reference.
- 8. A debtor's failure to make post-petition mortgage payments as they become due in a Chapter 13 case constitutes "cause" for relief from the automatic stay pursuant to 11 United States Code § 362(d)(1). In re Ellis, 60 B.R. 432, 435 (B.A.P. 9th Cir. 1985). Accordingly, as the Debtor has failed to make post-petition payments under the Note, Movant is entitled to relief from the automatic stay pursuant to 11 United States Code § 362(d)(1).

## **RELIEF FROM STAY**

## **LACK OF EQUITY**

9. Movant is informed and believes that, based on the Debtor's bankruptcy Schedules, the fair market value of the Real Property is no more than \$218,000.00. True and correct copies of Debtor's bankruptcy Schedules A and D are collectively attached to the Declaration in Support of Motion for Relief From Automatic Stay as exhibit E and incorporated herein by reference.

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